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: DEVICE FOR TURNING ON HIGH-PRESSURE DISCHARGE LAMP

AND LIGHTING APPARATUS EQUIPPED WITH THE DEVICE

# SECOND REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF OFFICIAL FILING RECEIPT

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Sir:

The Title of the above-identified application, as it appears on the Official Filing Receipt, is incorrect. The Title should read --- Device for Turning on High-Pressure Discharge Lamp and Lighting Apparatus Equipped with the Device---, and not "Device for Turning on Hgh-Pressure Discharge Lamp and Lighting Apparatus" as it currently incorrectly appears on the Filing Receipt.

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Please correct the Title of the above-identified application to read as follows:

# Device for Turning on High-Pressure Discharge Lamp and Lighting Apparatus Equipped with the Device

instead of:

Device for Turning on Hgh-Pressure Discharge Lamp and Lighting Apparatus and forward a corrected copy of the Filing Receipt to the undersigned.

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Title

Device for turning on high pressure discharge lamp and lighting apparatus

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